

# Meeting Minutes – Approved

## Art and Architectural Review Board

### Agenda

April 2, 2021

### Virtual Meeting via ZOOM Webinar

1100 Bank Street, Richmond, VA 23219

#### 1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10:00am
- 1.1 CALL TO ORDER  
Burt Pinnock, Chair
  - 1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT  
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  - 1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
*Motion to approve: Helen Wilson*  
*Second: Ian Vaughan*  
*Approved: 6Y, 0N*  
*Tom Papa joined the meeting after vote*
  - 1.4 OTHER BUSINESS  
*Discussion of draft language on heraldry. Burt Pinnock will resend the draft language for the group to review.*

#### 2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 10:10am
- 2.1 Department of General Services – New General Assembly Building**  
The new General Assembly Building (GAB) consists of approximately 422,000 gross square feet, with fourteen stories above grade, a single lower level, and a mechanical penthouse. A tunnel running under 9th street will connect the new GAB with the new 9th street parking garage. In deference to the high level of craftsmanship and the historic significance of the 1912 building, the existing South and East facades are preserved and incorporated into the design of the new building. The height of the bottom four stories of the new building was established by the height of the existing 1912 façade which strengthens the notable datum line that runs through a number of the existing historical buildings along Capitol Square. The massing steps inward above the fourth floor to mark the tower portion of the new building. The building program is reflected in the proposed massing, with the large committee rooms and other public functions occupying the lower four levels and the House and Senate members' offices and legislative support agencies occupying the tower floors. The upper three floors of the tower step inward towards the top to provide a graceful termination characteristic of some of the traditional architecture that can be found in Richmond. The primary exterior building material is masonry, consisting of a 4'+ tall granite water-table and precast panels with a simulated limestone architectural finish. Architectural detailing including window surrounds, pilasters, and cornices is also precast with a simulated limestone finish. Windows, doors, and grilles are painted aluminum with a simulated

bronze color. The landscape and hardscape at the base of the General Assembly Building has been developed to mesh with the design around Old City Hall. Stainless steel clad security bollards are used along 9th and East Broad Streets to coordinate with sub-grade utilities and allow unimpeded pedestrian circulation. The area to the south of the building continues the brick paving material used along the north edge of Capitol Square from the Patrick Henry Building and Old City Hall to establish a common ground plane. Darden Garden uses stabilized crushed granite to create a special area incorporating the old clock, Darden Garden memorial plaque and historical marker. With a high canopy and airy branching structure, Princeton Elms provide shade for those in Darden Garden without masking the 1912 Life Insurance Company of Virginia façade.

*Motion to move item 2.1 to regular agenda: Helen Wilson*

*Second: Calder Loth*

*Approved: 7Y, ON*

*Comments:*

*Present an alternate solution for bench/bench back design at Darden Garden.*

*Motion FINAL Approval (excluding bench): Burt Pinnock*

*Second: Helen Wilson*

*Approved: 7Y-ON*

## **2.2 University of Mary Washington – Install and Replace Rugby Scoreboard**

Project is to install new Rugby Scoreboard that has been donated to the Rugby Club. Scoreboard is 16' wide by 6-6" tall and will be supported approximately 8' above finish grade. Scoreboard is solar powered with photovoltaic cells integrated into board

*DHR - review not required*

## **2.3 Virginia State University – VSU Byrd Hall Windows Replacement**

The project scope of work is as follows: Remove basement laundry vents from (2) windows and reroute through-wall. Leave the transoms & cupola windows and add exterior storms. Keep & Repair (replace in kind if damaged beyond repair) interior wood trim. Retain dormer window original frames with wood sills. Replace sashes with aluminum clad sash replacement kits. Provide metal flashing over wood sill. Replace wood windows (including sashes, frames, & exterior brick mold) with aluminum clad simulated- divided light. Retain and restore (6) front façade 1st floor wood windows and add interior storm windows fashioned around the AC units. When funds become available replace the (6) front façade 1st floor windows (including sashes, frames, & exterior brick molding) with aluminum clad true-divided light (TDL).

*DHR - has reviewed, no adverse impacts*

## **2.4 Virginia Tech – Holtzman Alumni Center Columbarium Phase III**

Addition of a third columbarium positioned on axis and in symmetry with existing columbaria located at Virginia Tech's main campus in Blacksburg, Virginia and overlooking an open lawn area to the southwest of Holtzman Alumni Center.

*DHR - review not required*

## **2.5 Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center – Fuel Station Demolition**

Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center is looking to demolish an existing fuel station situated on their campus. This is a one-story canopy structure of approximately

15 ft high and the approximate area of the demolition is 1,750 sq.ft. Two underground storage tanks will be removed as part of this project, and an environmental scientist will monitor the excavation and collect soil samples for documentation of UST closure, as required by DEQ regulations. Following removal from the subsurface, soil samples will be collected from the UST excavation for analysis of adsorbed phase concentrations of gasoline and diesel range hydrocarbons, based on the historic tank contents. The site will be filled, compacted and graded and finished to match the adjacent area of the parking.

*DHR - no adverse impact on the condition that WWRC reach out to DHR to plan a site visit and provide DHR images and a campus map of all buildings over 50 years or age. DHR recommends an architectural survey be done on this property.*

*Consent Agenda: items 2.2-2.5, motion for approval subject to DHR comments on 2.5: Helen Wilson, Second: Donna Jackson  
Approved: 6Y, 0N, Chair Abstains on 2.5*

### **3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS**

#### **3.1 University of Virginia – Hotel and Conference Center**

A University of Virginia hotel with a large state-of-the-art conference center geared towards University events and gatherings will be one of the key anchors within the new Ivy Corridor district. The project consists of a hotel with 215 guest rooms and contains over 26,000 NSF of Conference Center space. The overall size of the Project is approximately 230,000 GSF. The site for the Hotel and Conference Center is along the southwest corner of the existing parking garage and defines the northern edge of the district. This hotel will be open to the broader public, but its proximity to planned academic and arts programs amplifies the potential impact of the hotel. The hotel and conference center would be available to all units of the University affording UVA central and convenient accommodations for visiting scholars and lecturers, prospective faculty, and students, returning alumni, career recruiters, etc. Locating the hotel adjacent to the existing parking garage will maximize the shared use potential of this existing resource. The communal spaces will encourage visitors to learn more about the University and its programs and provide visitor information and orientation. The building will sit within the shared public landscape of the Emmet-Ivy Corridor District, mirroring the landscape topography and capitalizing on views to the central open stream corridor and the large landscape of the University grounds and Blue Ridge Mountains.

*DHR - review required*

*Motion FINAL Approval pending DHR review: Ian Vaughan*

*Second: Calder Loth*

*Approved: 5Y, 0N, 2 Abstain (Rebecca Deeds & Helen Wilson)*

#### **3.2 William and Mary – Kaplan Arena Renovation and Addition**

Renovations to the existing Kaplan Arena occur at all levels of the existing structure including the Main Concourse Level, Court Level, Locker Level, and Seating Bowl. Renovation plans include bringing the structure up to current code where feasible, updating the functionality of concessions and restrooms, updating functionality of

locker rooms and training spaces, expanding spectator experience types, and updating finishes

throughout. Total renovation square foot area is 72,013. Additions include a new entry and lobby function at the Main Concourse Level with a new Entry Plaza Level at the north of the existing structure with a total square foot area of 20,681. A second addition is to be located northwest of the existing Kaplan Arena for new sports performance and training spaces. The addition is two levels and ties in at the existing Main Concourse Level and

Locker Level with a total square foot area of 37,001. Existing materials of the existing Kaplan Arena are to remain as-is except where new paint is to be applied on previously painted portions. The additions will contain brick to match the existing, clear glass, alum composite panels to match existing, and light grey metal panels to screen new HVAC units. Overall building forms are to be rectangular and square to match the existing form of Kaplan Arena.

*Comments:*

*Reconsider final material of benches at entrance*

*DHR - no concerns*

*Motion FINAL Approval: Burt Pinnock*

*Second: Tom Papa*

*Approved: 7Y-0N*

**4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*\*Next AARB Meeting is May 7, 2021.**

**5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED**



Burt Pinnock, Chair



Joe Damico, DGS Director